CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO

January 13, 2005 Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Osage Community Centre 1625 North Kingshighway

Event: 3rd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Extravaganza.

A host of area performers will provide musical and oratorical tributes in honor of Dr. King's birthday. Admission is free. Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. City-Wide Celebration Committee. **Contact:** Debra Mitchell-Braxton, Director, at 573/334-0856 or 573/334-0646.

January 17, 2005 Time: 8:00 AM

Place: Show Me Center 1333 N. Sprigg

Event: 20th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Breakfast

"Embracing the Future/Fulfilling the Dream." Special Guest: Rev. Earl Nance, Jr., Pastor of The Greater Mount Carmel Missionary Baptist Church, St. Louis and member of the 2004 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. State Celebration Committee. Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Planning Committee. Admission is \$7/general public, \$5/children ages 6-12, Children 5 and under free. Southeast students may use meal plan option, \$5 non-meal plan. Pre-paid sponsored tickets will be available for low-income individuals and students. Tickets may be purchased from the Southeast Bookstore and Schnucks Food and Drug until Tuesday, January 11, 2005, until 12 noon. Tickets will not be sold at the door. **Contact:** Group tickets - Dr. Sophia Scott at 573/986-7383.

January 17, 2005 Time: 12:00 PM

Place: Osage Community Centre 1625 North Kingshighway

Event: 4th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian Benefit

Featured speaker: Elder Larry T. Barnett, St. John Praise & Worship Center Ministries. Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. City-Wide Celebration Committee. Admission is free & lunch will be served. Individuals are asked to donate toiletries or a pair of new shoes to be given to agencies to assist individuals in need. Reservations must be confirmed by Friday, January 14, 2005. **Contact:** Ms. Debra Mitchell-Braxton, at 573/334-0856 or 573/334-0646.

January 17, 2005 Time: 4:00 PM

Place: Westfieldshoppingtown,

West Park

134 West Park Mall

Event: 9th Annual Youth Gala

A host of area youth will perform a variety of tributes honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Civil Rights Movement. Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. City-Wide Celebration Committee. Admission is free.

Contact: Ms. Debra Mitchell-Braxton, Director, at 573/334-0856 or 573/334-0646.

January 17, 2005 Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Cape First Church

254 Silver Springs Road

Event: 15th Annual Community Celebration Gospel Extravaganza "Lift Every Voice"

In addition to the celebration, this program will also include the presentation of the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Service Award. Special guest: Dr. Fairest Hill, featured guest performer and performances by various area groups. Sponsored by Cape Ministerial Alliance, NAACP and the Downtown Council of Churches. Admission is free. **Contact:** Rev. David Allen, Sr. or Debra Mitchell Braxton at 573/651-3698 or 573/651-5186.

January 27, 2005 Time: 6:30 pm

Place: Southeast Missouri State University

University Center-Ballroom Event: "Passing the Torch of Unity"

Program includes a keynote speaker and musical tributes. Reception immediately following. Admission is free. Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Planning Committee and Student Government. Contact: Michelle Irby at 573/651-2280.

February 3, 2005 Time: 6:30 PM

Place: Southeast Missouri State University University Center Ballroom, 4th Floor

Event: 2nd Annual Artistic Expressions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Dream

This event is symbolic of Dr. King's dream. Participants may express themselves in any artistic form as a reflection of Dr. King's legacy. Expressions vary from dance to spoken word. Prizes will be awarded. There will also be a live auction to support the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship.

Special guests will include area performers. Admission is free. Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Planning Committee and Residence Hall Association. **Contact:** Mercedes Jackson or Cori McGee at 573/651-5186.

February and March 2005

Time: TBD

Place: Area Schools and Head Start

Event: 8th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Read-a-Thon

University students and volunteers present multi-cultural readings and activities to children (pre-kindergarten to 8th grade) in February and March. Readings will consist of multi-cultural literature on historical Americans and their contributions to the development of our great nation. Admission is free. Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Planning Committee. **Contact:** Dr. Marcia Brown-Haimes or Ms. Joyce Renaud at 573/651-2188 or 573/651-2499.